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SBCI-6504  
22 March 1990

COUNTRY: Poland

SUBJECT: MSW Covert Action Operation Against Polish Emigre  
Journalist (fnu) HAMFF

DOI: Mid-1970s

SOURCE: A Polish intelligence officer

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1. In the mid-1970's, the branch of Department I (foreign intelligence) of the MSW (Polish Ministry of Internal Affairs) responsible for emigre activities ran an outstandingly successful covert action operation against (fnu) HAMFF, an emigre journalist in the United States. HAMFF, an arch-conservative, staunch anti-Communist and Polonia activist was a thorn in the side of the Polish Government. He allegedly had served during World War II in the Wehrmacht or SS. The operation involved the distribution of a forged edition of HAMFF's publication, which exposed a number of CIA personnel.

2. Aleksander MAKOWSKI was credited with planning and conducting the operation.

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1. (Fnu) HAMFF is identifiable with Konstanty Zygfryd HAMFF born 2 November 1926, in Czestochowa, Poland. HAMFF has been of interest to CIC/CE.

2. Aleksander MAKOWSKI [ ] born 7 February 1951, has been Press Counselor and MSW Resident at the Polish Embassy in Rome since August 1988. He served in New York City from 1976 to 1981, first with the Polish United Nations Delegation and then in the United Nations Secretariat. See SBPO-3135, dated 22 February 1990, for additional information on MAKOWSKI.

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